

March 12, 2023 9:30 a.m.

Praise & Worship......Praise Team

Scripture.....Karmen Grimsley, Junior Scout

Prayer..... Karmen Grimsley, Junior Scout

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Scout Litany...... Justice Wright, Wolf
Andre Lunsford, Webelos

Scout Presentation......Deaconess Janet Squires

Church News

Offertory Prayer...... Quinn Kearney, Junior Scout

Offering/Giving

Offertory Song

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

Pastoral Concerns/ Recognition of Sick/Prayer Concerns

Altar Call & Prayer

The Word in Song

WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

**The Sermon......Pastor Marc A. Lavarin

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship/ Invitational Selection If you would like to unite with our Church Family, you can do so during the Hymn of Invitation following the sermon. You may join by Baptism, Christian Experience, Letter, or as an Associate Member.

*Benediction

*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE and remain standing

**Please refrain from walking during The Sermon





CHURCH NEWS

FROM PASTOR LAVARIN: DISCOVER THE VISION HAPPENS EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 7PM. This is at Bible Study time, but it's so much more than Bible Study! In-Person (please wear a mask) and on Zoom and Facebook. Join in the discussion and let's "Discover the Vision" together!

FIRST CALVARY IS SEEKING NEW EMPLOYEE TEAM MEMBERS. Positions are available for both a Director of Children & Youth AND a Director of Media & Communications. Apply by March 15, 2023. Please visit the church website, www.firstcalvary.org, for more information.

FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION: THE TEEN CLASS IS BACK! Any Zoom challenges with the Teen Class have been corrected. Teens, 13-17... come join the Teen Class Sunday School this Sunday...and every Sunday at 11:00 am. This week, there will be a special surprise for the first 10 participants that join in. The Zoom information is as follows: Meeting ID: 81023410603, Passcode: 515700. SEE YOU THERE and THANKS FOR YOUR PATIENCE!

RIDGECREST 2023—(July 17-21) REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN TO MINISTRY LEADERS. The Family Conference is designed to encourage, equip, and inspire members and leaders. Please contact Minister John Carter at carter@firstcalvary.org for details. Availability is limited and openings will be granted on a first come first served basis. Registration is open until all slots are filled. The last day to be considered is May 21, 2023.

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY: Church Family, please spread the word! There will be a clothing giveaway on Saturday, March 25, 2023 from 7am-12noon at the Smith House, 1019 Cornell Street. The Daughters of Calvary will be receiving Spring and Summer clothing on Saturday, March 18th from 9am-12noon at the Smith House. Be on the lookout for future donation dates. Thanks for your continued support!

2023 SPRING LOVE OFFERING: Attention all College Students: Please complete the Spring Love Offering form listed on the Scholarship ministry page (scholarship@firstcalvary.org by 1pm on March 26, 2023 if you wish to receive the Spring Love Offering. Please do not place the form in the Ministry mailbox as we will only accept online requests. Please contact Sister Brenda Carter (brenda 6470404@yahoo.com) or Sister Traci Boone (traci boone2000@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: Golfers...join the 24th Annual WECF Golf Tournament, March 18th, 8:30am. Males and females are invited! Call Pastor Emeritus Fredrick A. Davis at (919)616-4819 for details.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: BWWC6! Ladies, 18 and above, YOU ARE INVITED! Come to the 6th "Be Well Women's Conference"....sponsored by The Well Fellowship Christian Church, on Friday & Saturday, April 28th & 29th. Registration is ONLY \$50!! FCBC's own, Dr. Micara Sessoms is a featured panelist. Register at https://buytickets.at/bwwc6. REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW. SPACE IS LIMITED....SO

DON'T WAIT TO REGISTER...Don't miss it...you will wish you had been there!

LET US PRAY: MATURE ADULTS, AGE 60 & UP, join "Noon Day" midweek prayer & devotion, EVERY WEDNESDAY at 12:00 p.m. Call 712-432-1000, enter access code 616729948#. Others are invited to attend as well.

TIME FOR THE "MID-WEEK TUNE UP"! Join the Prayer Conference Call on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m., 712-432-1001, code "494132935#". This call is led by Pastor Lavarin. Please ONLY use the above listed number for this Wednesday call. Additionally... AND THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT....PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR PHONE IS MUTED ON THE CALL AND YOU CANNOT BE HEARD.

Come to Intercessory Prayer on the 4th Sundays, 7:00 a.m.-Zoom Access: Meeting ID: 874 6010 4604, Passcode: 386584.

LET'S CELEBRATE! First Calvary Family, you are invited to a special Baby Celebration honoring Lady Barbara and Pastor Marc as they prepare for their special delivery in May! A Baby Celebration will be held on Saturday, April 15th in the fellowship hall from 1pm to 3pm. Space is limited and you must RSVP with the following link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/baby-celebration-for-barbara-and-marc-lavarin-tickets-571134818617.

HEALING AND RECOVERY

Remember our sick & shut-in members with prayers, cards, visits, & calls and share this information with the Pastor and Deacons. Contact the church office with sick & shut in information.

HOSPITAL & CARE FACILITY

Sis. Rochelle Nelums	Pruitt Health	
olo. Nochene Neturno	Erwin Road 27707	
Bro. Michael Wilson	Tower Rehabilitation & Nursing Center	
	3609 Bond Street Raleigh, NC 27604	
	AT HOME CARE	
Sis. Mary Bailey	1505 Palmers Grove Church Rd, Hillsborough	27278
Bro. Danny Blackwell	1 Lucas Drive	27703
Sis. Iris Blackwell	1 Lucas Drive	27703
Sis. Betty Borden	718 Wortley Drive	27713
Dea. Larry Carver	602 Crestview Drive	27712
Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	309 Pearson Drive	27713
Sis. Shirley Jackson	2420 Glenbrook Drive	27707
Sis. Louise Jones	1218 Cornell Street	27707
Sis. Mary Liverman	4302 Stonehenge Rd., Greensboro	28406
Bro. Frank Lloyd	7 Gwendolyn Circle	27703
Sis. Princess Matthews	1127 Briar Rose Lane, Apt. 103	27704
Sis. Bettie Sanders	323 Crooked Creek Parkway	27713
Dea. John Smith	1405 Timber Wolf Drive	27713
Sis. Conya Thorpe	2801 Ross Road	27703
Sister Zandra Turner	816 Tumeric Lane	27713
Bro. Kevin Young	1027 Moreland Avenue	27707

Our Mission: E³
Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life,
& Evangelize the lost

MINISTRY MEETING SCHEDULE

CFLR –Community Family Life Center at Lyon Park
CFR –Conference Room CRM -Choir Room
CR I -Classroom 1 CR II -Classroom 2 CR III -Classroom 3
FH – Fellowship Hall LIB – Library Sanct-Sanctuary

SUNDAY

	7:00 am	Intercessory Prayer Service (4 th Sun)	Sanct	
	1:15pm	Health & Wellness Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR I	
	1:15 pm	Evangelism Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR II	
	1:15 pm	Daughters of Calvary (3 rd Sun)	CR II	
	1:15 pm	Computer Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR III	
	4:00 pm	Associate Ministers (each 2 nd Sun)	CR II	
	5:00 pm	Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2 nd Sun)	CR III/LIB	
	6:30 pm	Official Leadership Team (2 nd Sun)	FH	
		MONDAY		
	6:00 pm	Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1st)	CRM	
	6:30 pm	Psalm 150 (after 3 rd & 4 th Sun)	CRM	
	6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir (after 2 nd Sun)	CRM	
	6:30pm	Children's Church Committee (after 2 nd Sun)	LIB	
	6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers (1st Mon)	CR I	
	6:30 pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct	
	7:00pm	Entrepreneur Ministry (TBA)	CR III	
	7:00pm	Visionary Ministry (3 rd Mon)	LIB	
	7:30pm	Male Chorus (after 2 nd & 3 rd Sun)	CRM	
	7:30pm	Young Adult Choir (before 3 rd Sun)	CRM	
		TUESDAY		
	6:00pm	Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)	ALL AREAS	
	6:30pm	Hospitality Ministry (2 nd Tues)	CR I	
	6:30pm	Praise Team	CRM	
	6:30pm	Circle of Care (COC) (2 nd Tues-Quarterly)	LIB	
	6:30pm	Beauty for Ashes	LIB	
	7:00pm	Male Summit (Tuesday after 3 rd Sun)	LIB	
	7:30pm	Music Council (2 nd Tues)	CR II	
	7:30pm	The Encouragers (1 st Tues)	CR III	
		WEDNESDAY		
	12:00pm	Noon Day Prayer	Conf. Call	
	6:30pm	Youth Bible Study	Zoom	
	7:00pm	Bible Study	Zoom/FB	
	C . 00	THURSDAY		
	6:00pm	Nursery Ministry (1st Thurs)	Nursery	
	6:30pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct	
	6:30pm	Beautification Committee (2 nd Thurs)	CR I	
	6:30pm	Couples' Ministry (4 th Thurs)	CR II	
	6:30pm	Youth Council (4 th Thurs)	CR I	
	6:30pm	ACT Ministry (3 rd Thurs)	CR I	
	6:30pm	Young Adult Ministry (3 rd Thurs)	CR II	
	6:30pm	Emergency Response Team (ERT)	CR II	
	7:00pm	Singles in Love with Christ (4 th Thurs)	LIB	
	7:00pm 7:30pm	Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal	CRM	
	7.30pm	Drama Ministry	CR III	
SATURDAY 9:30am Pearls of Praise (2 nd Sat) CRM				
	10:00am	Pearls of Praise (2 nd Sat) Scholarship Ministry (before the 2 nd Sun)	CRM CR II	
	10:00am	PROJECT F.I.N.E.	CFLR	
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Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2nd Sat)

Senior Missionary Ministry (3rd Sat)

Deaconess Ministry (1st Sat)

Culinary Arts Ministry (4th Sat)

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10:00am

10:30am

11:00am

11:00am

11:30am

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Time changed early this morning, but God has not changed at all. I am reminded of what we will celebrate as a Family of Faith in just 4 short weeks. Our Lord and Savior also changed some things early one Sunday morning. He gave His life for us and He was the ultimate Sacrifice.

As we celebrate Stewardship Month here at the church, we dig deeper into the theme of "Building Generosity" in March to connect to our church theme of "Building on God's Foundation". As God loves a cheerful giver, that giving is not just centered on money, but it includes giving time and giving talent. I hope that you are engaged in ministry work at First Calvary. I have seen, heard about, and witnessed the vast talents and gifts in this congregation. You are using them to serve, right? We need you to be actively involved with Ministry work at this church. We have some good things going on, and they become even better with your hands to the plow. Speaking of which, we celebrate with our Scouting Ministry today. There is a need within that very ministry for volunteers, especially men. An added note, yes, you can get some Girl Scout cookies after service today....we are going to minister to the spirit and then serve the sweet tooth today.

I hope that you are attending Discover the Vision each Wednesday. What a powerful time of sharing we are experiencing each week! We are engaging with one another on some topics that are extremely relevant to our church. Thank you for being there and for sharing. Those that are not yet in the mix are invited. Please note that the Zoom experience, though allowing for some interaction, and the Facebook, which has even more limited to no interaction, are both still options, however, nothing will beat being in person.

See you there....and I look for the church to be on the Mid-Week Tune Up Prayer call at 7a on Wednesday mornings as well. Remember, it's 7 & 7!

Because of Calvary, Pastor Marc

THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

God has blessed each of us with a heart for compassion, a desire to encourage, and a willingness to comfort others in times of need. Though we face trials and tribulations of our own, it does not mean that we are to neglect others if they are facing woes at the same time, or after we do. The heart of God, which you carry in your spiritual temple, wants you to act now! Have you ever felt that tugging that you should call someone or stop by their house? Have you felt a need to send a card, share a smile or bless someone just because your heart told you too? God has compassion for us and blesses us. We in turn are to do the same thing for those He loves. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, NIV reminds us of this. "[Praise to the God of All Comfort] Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God." Remember, to whom much is given, much is expected. Share the love of God you have received.

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Our Tithes & Offerings must be \$36,810.84 per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving!

March 5, 2023

Discover the Vision 137 Sunday School 79 New Members 3 In-Person Worship 335 Worship Service (Streaming) 181

Tithes and Offering	\$19,228.30
Sacrificial Offering	\$830.00
Food Pantry	\$175.00
Scholarship	\$195.00
Children's Church	\$19.00
Sunday School	\$15.00
Online Giving	\$26,430.00
Total Giving	\$46.892.30

REMINDER: The FCBC Food Pantry always welcomes donations of non-perishable food items!

Types of Items Needed: rice, beans, jelly, peanut butter, cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, canned veggies & fruit, tuna, pickles, soup, ramen noodles, hot dogs, small packs of hamburger, etc.

(This is a great community service project for your job or school...or even a great family project!)

PLEASE REMEMBER: YOU WILL NEED TO STILL WEAR A MASK WHENEVER YOU COME TO THE CHURCH.

COME BACK TO CHURCH FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS! AGAIN-PLEASE WEAR A MASK TO CHURCH. WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO LIVE STREAM WORSHIP VIA THE CHURCH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AT 9:30 A.M. **EACH SUNDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

STEWARDSHIP MONTH

		March 2023
1	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"VISION HUDDLE"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
4	9:00 AM	NEW MEMBER CONNECTION
SUN 5		PROVE ME/ALL TITHE SUNDAY
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
8	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"DISCOVER THE VISION"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
SUN 12		SCOUT SUNDAY
		*TIME CHANGES-
		DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
15	12:00 PM	
	7:00 PM	BIBLE STUDY
		Stream on Zoom &Facebook
SUN 19	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
22	12:00 PM	
	7:00 PM	"DISCOVER THE VISION"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
SUN 26		SACRIFICIAL SUNDAY
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
	11:00 AM	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
29	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"DISCOVER THE VISION"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook

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TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE Music: **Praise Team Director of Music Ministries: Minister Michael Dotson Guest Musician: Brother David Cannady** Percussionist: **Brother Andre Sanders** Saxophonist: **Brother Lynwood Jones** Videographers: Sister Hilary Fearrington/ Dr. Toni McIntosh/ Sister Gail Hendricks Audio Team (1 per Sunday): Brother Ivan Holloway/ Deacon Darryll Gadson/ Deacon Xavier Cason/ Brother

FACEBOOK: First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC

Michael Hill/ Deacon Calvin Squires/

Brother Derrick Garrett

If you are having a medical procedure, or are sick at home for over a week, please contact the church office so that Pastoral contact can occur as soon as possible or at your request.



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"

Scout Sunday



Boy Scouts



Girl Scouts_®

STEWARDSHIP MONTH "Building Generosity" March 12, 2023

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SUNDAY-Worship- 9:30am ◆ Sunday School-11am WEDNESDAY-Mid-Week Tune-Up Prayer Call-7am Discover the Vision-7pm

"BUILDING ON GOD'S FOUNDATION"

SERMON NOTES

DATE: SUBJECT:	Text:	



"DISCOVER THE VISION"

Wednesdays, 7pm

In-Person (Please wear a mask)

Also via Zoom (Meeting ID: 932 281 4455,

Passcode: 573710)

or the Church Facebook page
(First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC)

Reminder: WHEN YOU COME TO THE
CHURCH, EITHER DURING THE
WEEK OR ON SUNDAYS,
PLEASE WEAR
A MASK.



WHEN TO CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE

*When you need to schedule an appointment to see the Pastor.

*When there is death in your family.

*To make a prayer request.

*When you are going to have surgery.

*When you a question regarding scheduling a room for a meeting.

*If you need to contact your deacon and you don't know who he is.

*When you have a baby or to arrange a Baby Dedication.

*To set up marriage or pre-marital counseling.

*If you desire your wedding ceremony to be performed by the Pastor.

*When you have questions regarding your financial giving.

*To change your address or telephone numbers when you move!

<u>NOTE:</u> Some of the above items are altered due to Church schedule and availability.

<u>First Calvary Baptist Church</u> Marc A. Lavarin, Pastor Fredrick A. Davis, Pastor Emeritus



♦FCBC Sunday School: **Women's Class**

Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: **812 1447 4860** *No Passcode Needed

†FCBC Sunday School: **Men's Class**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82971940163?pwd=M UVUOGdPRHY5VXBFSGhaVmsrN3lvZz09

Meeting ID: 829 7194 0163 *No passcode needed

†FCBC Sunday School: Singles Class

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84710388051?pwd=OT MwVlpaazhoZ3dwODBkdHNhMkZldz09

Meeting ID: 847 1038 8051

Passcode: 589151

†FCBC Sunday School: **Couples' Class**

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3786293858?pwd=aTdzZW94MnZZMnF1TUVWdGNWejlEZz09

Meeting ID: **378 629 3858** Password: **878147**

♦FCBC Sunday School: **Beginner Class**

Ages 3-5

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85433735526?pwd=S055ZHU3VWNCTXBBZ1ZocVk3R09QUT09

Meeting ID: **854 3373 5526**

Passcode: 635090

†FCBC Sunday School: **Primary Class**

Ages 6-8

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 818 7955 6365

Passcode: 892947

♦FCBC Sunday School:

Junior/Intermediate Class

Ages 9-12

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83428893130?pwd=Q VoxWUdkcFV0R2IxbDhGaUZNZGlHUT09

Meeting ID: 2543615342 Passcode: 175175

†FCBC Sunday School: **Teen Class**

Ages 13-17

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81023410603?pwd=RG U1aTVKTS9Ta29OL3VhOzd2ZE1Udz09

Meeting ID: 810 2341 0603

Passcode: **515700**

†FCBC Sunday School: **Young Adult Class**

Ages 18-25

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9862394139

Meeting ID: 986 239 4139 *No passcode needed

ALL PARENTS: The Sunday School Ministry invites you and your child to join Zoom Sunday School Classes for children ages 5 to 17. We understand the taxing effect of ZOOM, but this is an opportunity to share with your child knowledge of Jesus. Allow us to assist you with your child's the spiritual formation. (See church website for listing of all ZOOM Sunday School Classes each Sunday at 11:00 am). formation. (See church website for listing of all ZOOM

Sunday School Classes each Sunday at 11:00 am).

SCOUT LITANY

<u>Leader:</u> The Scout Law is a guiding light to millions of young people throughout the world today, but the principles of the law have been brought to us from ancient days. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. (Exodus 20:16) A Scout is trustworthy.

<u>People:</u> He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and he who is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. (Luke 16:10) A Scout is loyal.

<u>Leader:</u> For the poor will never cease out of the land; therefore I command you, You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to thy needy and to the poor, in the land. (Deuteronomy 15:11) A Scout is helpful.

<u>People:</u> Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! (Psalm 133) A Scout is friendly.

Leader: Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for edifying, as fits the occasion, that it may impart grace to those who hear. (Ephesians 4:29) A Scout is courteous.

<u>People:</u> A righteous man has regard for the life of his beast, but the mercy of the wicked is cruel. (Proverbs 12:10) A Scout is kind.

<u>Leader:</u> Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor thy first commandment with promise; that it may be well with thee and thou mayest live long on the earth. (Ephesians 6:1-3) A Scout is obedient.

<u>People:</u> A glad heart makes a cheerful countenance, but by sorrow of heart the spirit is broken. The mind of him who has understanding seeks knowledge, but the mouths of fools feed on folly. All the days of the afflicted are evil, but a cheerful heart has a continual feast. (Proverbs 15:13-15) A Scout is cheerful.

ALL: And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. (Mark 12:30) A Scout is reverent toward God. They are faithful in their duties and they respect others to bring glory and honor to Jesus Christ. May we all exemplify these qualities in our walk with Christ.

First Calvary Baptist Church • The Parenting Tip Marc A. Lavarin, Pastor

CHILDREN & STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is a Christian ideal that includes accepting the gifts God bestows on us with love and gratitude, and spreading the gifts given to us to the benefit of other people. Teaching stewardship is very important for young Christians because it can help them in finding their calling, which is an important part of a young person's identity.

Here are some ways to teach the principle of "stewardship" in your family:

- 1 Ask your children what "stewardship" means to them and see if they can define it. This will help you get an idea of what they know and do not know about the concept.
- 2 Have them write down a list of things they are grateful for. Share them aloud and discuss them. Ask your children to discuss things they have that they believe not everyone else has and why this makes them even more thankful for it.
- 3 Ask your children to share what they feel their talents are and how they can use them to better the lives of others.
- 4 Have children discuss the occupations they feel they may be called to do and how these occupations can increase stewardship. Emphasize that it may take a while for God to reveal their true calling and youth should not expect to have all of the answers.
- 5 Discuss stewardship, justice and equality in the community. Many people, such as those who are homeless or living in shelters, could benefit from the gifts of your family either locally or abroad. Ask your children if they feel their duty as a Christian is to help relieve the suffering in communities near and far.
- 6 Organize a "mission trip" to help your entire family get into the spirit of stewardship. Involve your children in the basic planning, including where the

family would like to go and what talents you all possess that would be used on the excursion. Mission trips can be as simple as going to a homeless shelter and serving dinner as a family, or as complex as flying to Africa and helping with hunger or disaster relief. Your entire family can talk about what is realistic and set financial and other goals for the field trip.

